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By certified mail and e-mail

May 17, 2005

Bruce P. Beausejour, Esq. General Counsel Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Long Distance 185 Franklin Street, 13th Floor Boston, MA 02110-1585

Re: Notice of Formal Hearing for Slamming Complaint

Docket Number: D.T.E. 05-SL-7

Telephone Number(s) at Issue: 508-845-5309

Dear Attorney Beausejour:

BALDEV SINGH has notified the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") that his telecommunications service provider was changed without authorization and has requested a formal hearing. Under M.G.L c. 93, § 110 (i), (j), the Department is required to hold a hearing to determine whether the consumer's original telecommunications provider was switched without proper authorization. If any party fails to appear, the Department may issue a decision against the party failing to appear and/or dismiss the case.

The hearing is scheduled for <u>THURSDAY</u>, <u>JUNE 2</u>, <u>2005 at 2:00 P.M.</u> and is to be held in the Department's offices at One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts. In accordance with the Department's directives in <u>Western Massachusetts Electric Company</u>, D.T.E. 01-36/02-02 (2003) and Commonwealth Learning Center, D.T.E. 03-04-31 (2004),

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Verizon Long Distance is required to be represented by counsel at this hearing. The Department will consider all information and evidence provided by you and the consumer to reach a decision.

If you have any questions regarding this case, please contact Andrea Saia at 617.305.3612.

Sincerely,

Mary L. Cottrell

Department Secretary

cc: Baldev Singh

John L. Conroy, Vice President Regulatory, Verizon